

naturally want to have the work stopped in the middle, and so we got the labour from the roads until we were able to organise new labour. As soon as the new labour was organised, these people were sent back to their places.

Departmental Coolies.

10. *MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Chief Engineer has withdrawn to Trivandrum from other Divisions gangs of departmental coolies;

(b) the total number of such coolies so withdrawn from each of the other Divisions respectively; and

(c) the daily wages paid to each of such coolies?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: (a) a few gangs of coolies were directed to work in Trivandrum for the urgent work of improvements to the Aerodrome.

(b) From Nagercoil Division	...	186
" Trivandrum "	...	492
" Quilon "	...	298
" Kottayam "	...	365
" Alwaye "	...	182
" Water works and Drainage Division	...	31
" K. E. P. Division, Kulasekharam Division	...	87
Total	...	1,641

(c) The usual wages at their own place plus a batta of 7 chs. per cooly per day.

Work establishment personnel.

11. *SAHIB BAHADUR K. A. MOHAMED: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that they have drawn all the work establishment personnel and muster roll workers from the different P. W. Divisions of the State for the work in the Aerodrome at Trivandrum; and

(b) whether they are aware that this action of the department has prejudicially affected the different P. W. D. Works in the State?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: (a) No.

(b) No.

Aerodrome at Trivandrum.

12. *MR. P. S. NATARAJA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that road metal stocked on the roadside for road maintenance was transported and utilised for the construction of the Aerodrome at Trivandrum;

(b) if so, the total quantity so transported and used; and

(c) the roads from which they were so diverted?